

- 1. A message delivery method, comprising:
  - (a) delivering viewing behavior information of a first viewer from one or more viewing stations which the first viewer is using to a processing system;
  - (b) delivering demographic information regarding the first viewer to the processing system;
  - (c) delivering viewing behavior information of a second viewer from one or more viewing stations which the second viewer is using to the processing system;
  - (d) delivering demographic information regarding the second viewer to the processing system
  - (e) processing the first viewer viewing behavior information and demographic information regarding the first viewer delivered to the processing system to select a first viewer multimedia message targeted to the first viewer;
  - (f) processing the second viewer viewing behavior information and demographic information regarding the second viewer delivered to the processing system to select a second viewer multimedia message targeted to the second viewer; and
  - (g) delivering the first viewer multimedia message to a viewing station of the first viewer.
- 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the processing of (e) and (f) are at the processing system.
- 6. The method of claim 1 wherein (a) includes the viewing behavior defining first viewing behavior and the using is at a first use time, and (e) includes the message defining a first message; and further comprising:
  - (h) delivering second viewing behavior information of the first viewer from a viewing station, which the first viewer is using at a second use time after the first use time, to the processing system;
  - (i) processing, at the processing system, at least the first viewer demographic information and the first viewer second viewing behavior information to select a first viewer multimedia second message; and

- (j) delivering the second message to a viewing station of the first viewer for viewing thereat.
- 9. The method of claim 1 further comprising delivering the second viewer multimedia message to a viewing station of the second viewer.
- 10. The method of claim 1 wherein (g) includes delivering the message with multimedia content to the viewing station of the first viewer.
- 11. The method of claim 1, wherein (a) includes the viewing behavior information including downloading speed information of the viewing station which the first viewer is using.
- 12. The method of claim 1 wherein (g) includes the viewing station including a television.
- 19. The method of claim 1 wherein (g) includes presenting the first viewer multimedia messages when there is a break in the availability of the multimedia content for presentation at the viewing station.
- 20. The method of claim 1 wherein (g) includes delivering the first viewer multimedia message to the viewing station simultaneously with the delivers of the multimedia content thereto.
- 21. The method of claim 1 wherein (g) includes pre-caching the first viewer multimedia message for presentation at the viewing station when multimedia content to be viewed is generally not available for presentation.
- 23. A message delivery system, comprising: a processing system;

means for delivering to the processing system viewing information on the viewing of multimedia content by a first viewer;

means for displaying at a viewing station multimedia content for viewing by the first viewer;

wherein the processing system uses the viewing information to select a desired sponsored video message;

means for delivering demographic information about the first viewer to the processing system;

wherein the processing system also uses the demographic information to select the desired message; and

means for delivering the message to a viewing station for viewing by the first viewer in conjunction with the viewing by the first viewer of the multimedia content.

## 25. The system of claim 23 further comprising:

means for delivering second-viewer demographic information on a second viewer to the processing system;

means for delivering to the processing system second-viewer viewing information on the viewing by the second viewer of multimedia content;

means for displaying at a viewing station multimedia content for viewing by the second viewer;

wherein the processing system uses the second-viewer demographic information together with the second-viewer viewing information to select a desired second-viewer sponsored video message different from the message for the first viewer; and

means for delivering the second-viewer message to a viewing station for viewing by the second viewer in conjunction with the viewing by the second viewer of the multimedia content.

## 31. A message delivery system, comprising:

first and second viewing stations;

a multimedia content server;

a message server including a plurality of different sponsored video messages; a processing server which processes multimedia viewing information about a first viewer and therefrom selects a first message from the plurality of messages; wherein the processing server also processes demographic information of the first viewer to select the first message;

the first station presenting the first message from the message server and multimedia content from the multimedia content server for viewing by the first viewer;

the processing server processing multimedia viewing information about a second viewer and therefrom selecting a second message from the plurality of messages; wherein the processing server also processes demographic information of the second viewer to select the second message; and the second station presenting the second message from the message server and multimedia content from the multimedia content server for viewing by the second server.

## 34. A processing server programmed to:

receive multimedia first-viewer viewing information and first-viewer demographic information relative to a first-viewer;

process the first-viewer viewing information and first-viewer demographic information to obtain first processed information, and associate the first processed information with a first sponsored video message from a database of messages for delivery to a first viewing station for viewing by the first-viewer together with multimedia;

receive second-viewer multimedia viewing information and second-viewer demographic information relative to a second viewer; and process the second-viewer viewing information and second-viewer demographic information to obtain second processed information and associate the second